

# Strengthening National and Regional Capacities for Peace Support Operations

FACTSHEET



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BUDGET: Japan (US\$296,000)

KEY PARTNERS: CSRS-NDC, ECOWAS Member States, and ECOWAS Standby Force

## Objectives

The project aims to enhance the capacities for Peace Support Operations (PSOs) in West Africa through training conducted by the Centre for Strategic Research and Studies, National Defence College (CSRS/NDC).

As a result of this project, the capacities of military and civilian personnel that can be deployed for PSOs missions or ECOWAS Standby Force (ESF) will be enhanced.

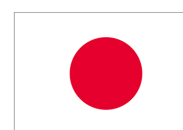
## Project Outputs

**Output 1: Regional capabilities for multi-dimensional PSOs for military, police and civilian personnel improved.**

## Contribution to SDGs

The project will contribute to SDG 16.

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## Development Challenges

Violent conflicts in many countries of the world and particularly in Africa have continued to increase both in complexities and numbers. This violence, which are mostly due to lack of good governance, political wrangling, citizens agitation for quality life and inability to access essential services of life, has resulted in political instability, wanton destruction of lives and property, mass displacement of the civil population and destruction of key development infrastructures. Often, citizens ventilate their displeasures through violent extremism, radicalization, and violent mass protests.

The government of Nigeria is committed to global peace and security by making significant contributions to the UN, AU and West African peacekeeping operations. Nigeria contributes to various peacekeeping missions globally and particularly in Africa continent, such as, UNAMID in Darfur, UNISFA in Sudan, UNMISS in South Sudan, UNMIL in Liberia, UNOC in Cote d'Ivoire, and AMISON in Somalia amongst others. Nigeria was about the 5th largest troops contributing country globally and about the 2nd in Africa to UN Peacekeeping Operations (UNPKO) until recently. Nigerian contingents in UNPKO have won excellent reputation and recognition and have been acknowledged by UN and international community as one of the best performing troops in the world. The country's pivotal role in peace support operations globally and in West Africa demands that she possesses excellent capacity to effectively continue to contribute to global peace and security in all spheres.